# S. 1834

### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 23, 2002 Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

## AN ACT

For the relief of retired Sergeant First Class James D. Benoit and Wan Sook Benoit.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

#### SECTION 1. REQUIREMENT TO PAY CLAIMS.

- 2 (a) Payment Required.—The Secretary of the
- 3 Treasury is authorized and directed to pay, out of any
- 4 money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to
- 5 James D. Benoit and Wan Sook Benoit, jointly, the sum
- 6 of \$415,000, in full satisfaction of all claims described in
- 7 subsection (b), such amount having been determined by
- 8 the United States Court of Federal Claims as being equi-
- 9 tably due the said James D. Benoit and Wan Sook Benoit
- 10 pursuant to a referral of the matter to that court by Sen-
- 11 ate Resolution 129, 105th Congress, 1st session, for action
- 12 in accordance with sections 1492 and 2509 of title 28,
- 13 United States Code.
- 14 (b) COVERED CLAIMS.—Subsection (a) applies with
- 15 respect to all claims of the said James D. Benoit, Wan
- 16 Sook Benoit, and the estate of David Benoit against the
- 17 United States for compensation and damages for the
- 18 wrongful death of David Benoit, the minor child of the
- 19 said James D. Benoit and Wan Sook Benoit, pain and
- 20 suffering of the said David Benoit, loss of the love and
- 21 companionship of the said David Benoit by the said James
- 22 D. Benoit and Wan Sook Benoit, and the wrongful reten-
- 23 tion of remains of the said David Benoit, all resulting from
- 24 a fall sustained by the said David Benoit, on June 28,
- 25 1983, from an upper level window while occupying military
- 26 family housing supplied by the Army in Seoul, Korea.

### 1 SEC. 2. LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR ATTORNEYS'

- FEES.
- 3 No part of the amount appropriated by section 1 in
- 4 excess of 10 percent thereof shall be paid or delivered to
- 5 or received by any agent or attorney on account of services
- 6 rendered in connection with this claim, any contract to the
- 7 contrary notwithstanding. Violation of the provisions of
- 8 this section is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to
- 9 exceed \$1,000.

Passed the Senate December 20 (legislative day, December 18), 2001.

Attest:

JERI THOMSON,

Secretary.